

CRIME SCENE - Special Constable Greg Hnatiuk secures a roadblock at the Hwy 581 and RR 28.2 east of Carstairs last Friday. Local RCMP called in Calgary Major Crimes and Special Tactical units to investigate a male body found in a ditch. Foul play is suspected. See story page 3.

Montreal developer plans 159-lot build

Preliminary designs for 100-acre development unveiled last night

BY STEPHANIE MYLES

Didsbury Review

A Montreal developer has unveiled plans for a 159-lot subdivision of starter homes in southwest Didsbury.

Residents were to get the first glimpse of preliminary designs for the 100-acre Fieldstone subdivision at a town hall meeting Monday night.
With main entrances off 23rd Street and 7th Avenue.

the subdivision designs show a residential neighbourhood with bike paths and a community park.

Arthur Steckler, spokesperson for developer SNR

Group, said the company has been looking for proper ty in the Calgary area for the past two years, and Didsbury is an ideal location.

"It's a nice town, it has a high school, it has a day school, a hospital, and I frankly think it's undiscov-

"I feel that we can respond to a need that the rest of the marketplace closer to Calgary cannot, because it's

insane closer to Calgary."

Steckler said SNR Group, under its newly-created

"It's a nice town, it has a high school, it has a day school, a hospital, and I frankly think it's undiscovered."

> ARTHUR STECKLER, Didsbury Develop

subsidiary, Didsbury Developments, plans to sell the starter homes for abut $\$250,\!000$.

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If all goes as planned, Steckler said construction of

the first 45 homes could begin in August.
The company has set up shop in Didsbury to oversee the development, leasing an office downtown. Steckler and his associates travelled from Montreal

on Monday to present their plans to the public, hoping for a favourable reaction.

We were very welcomed by the municipal administration, who made us feel at home the minute we walked in," he said, of the group's previous meeting

with town council to propose the subdivision.

SNR Group has residential, commerical and industrial developments throughout North America, including Florida, New York, North Carolina and Montreal,

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Residents weigh in "current reality"

BY JODI STYNER

More than 50 Didsbury residents came together with mayor and council last week to offer their two cents on a number of key issues facing the town. Everything from green bins, to afford

able housing to infrastructure were dis-cussed at Wednesday's Town Hall meeting at the 5-0 Club.

The purpose of the meeting was to obtain a clear vision of what Didsbury's "current reality" is, to help council devel-op a Municipal. Sustainability Plan (MSP), said Mayor Dorothy Moore. "We got a lot of good stuff," she said.

"They (residents) have what they like about Didsbury, what we have, and what

Moore said a clear vision of Didsbury today is needed before drafting an action plan for what it should look like tomorrow and 10, 20 or 30 years down the road when the town is three or even four times its current size

Elevate economy

In terms of Didsbury's economy, resident consensus was that, right now, there isn't sufficient retail available to support the Chamber's "Local First" ide-

"We don't have enough businesses in town to provide all the services people need," said Valerie Puttick, who is marto Chamber president Scott Puttick

People leave town and go to Olds, Carstairs or the big city, and they're going to do more than that. They're not going to go for just that one thing.

But while it was agreed more business s are needed, "let Olds have the big box stores" was a repeated comment

Hard to find housing

A Didsbury woman who is looking for affordable housing for her elderly mother is getting frustrated.

There isn't anything out there," she

Scott Puttick said while there is a variety of housing for all ages and lifestyles, there just isn't enough of it.

He'd like to see an apartment complex go in in place of the old high school when it's demolished to deal with the problem

Servicing social needs

Neighborhood Place is starting to take

off, according to residents.

Moms in particular are starting to rec ognize the benefits of programs offered to them through the service, said Reverend Nancy Nourse

On the issue of youth programs in the town, Nourse said she believes there are plenty of social options during the day

time and early evening, "It's after these things close down that problems happen," she said.

Councillor Stan Neufeld said curfew discussions are continuing

"We've met with the RCMP, met with the principals of the junior high school and senior high school and had discussions around Didsbury and some of the programs that area available to our youth," he said.

We haven't done a lot of research, but a lot of municipalities are struggling with the whole issue of curfew for young people.

Going green

The town's green bin program, which comes into effect this spring, is meeting

MAKING A DIFFERENCE - Residents talk with council members last week about the

Scott Puttick said he's been "waiting and waiting and waiting for this" and it's about time

But not everyone is on board

Evelyn Sherman, who lives in Campus Green, said she already shares a black garbage bin with two other couples because they don't produce a lot of garbage, and they won't have a lot to compost either

"I resent the fact that they're going to give everyone a bin even if we don't want it and we're going to be paying for it," she said.

"It's just more money that a senior, or anybody, has to come up with on a real budget, for something they're not

Service stalemate

Public Works manager Dale Keisman asked residents what they know about water/sewer services in the town and whether it's designed for future

Residents weren't aware that currently

the butte has only a four-day water sup ply if we lose power, the line is cut off, and we have to depend on gravity.

The town is also in non-compliance with Environment Canada recommendations in relation to storm water reten-tion, according to Keisman.

But it's hoping a waste water treatment plant is in the future for the area, and is pushing for one, said Keisman.

Residents at the Town Hall meeting were eager to offer opinions on what the future should hold for Didsbury, said

"They couldn't resist going from cur-rent reality to what they wanted (for the future)," she said.

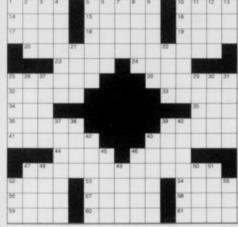
"I had to make another column.

Despite that, Moore said she's pleased with the "stacks" of information gathered and said it will be invaluable to the town moving forward.

Council will compile all the ideas from

Wednesday's meeting and include them in future MSP discussions.

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Body found on side of rural Carstairs road

BY FAYE BAYKO For the Reevie

Sunday evening's snow blanketed the gravel road where marked and unmarked police cars had marked at, the roadside where the body had been discovered. the ditches in which police officers and dogs had searched, and the wide expanse of prairie farmland that had been a silent witness to the events that ended the life of a stranger and left small-town Alberta to wonder how the city had crept into its midst.

"They found a dead guy over here on our back road, right next to our land here,' Joseph Ostermann March 18 during a telephone interview. "This is kind of surprising."

Ostermann, who owns the ection of land to the west of where the body was found and who has been in the area since the late '50s, said he could not recall any similar events. This was a first as far as he knew.

At approximately 9 a.m. on March 16, the Carstairs fire department and Didsbury RCMP were called out to where the body of a man had been discovered in the ditch of Range Road 28.2, approximately a half-mile north from Highway 581, by two men driving by.
When fire and ambulance

stopped by RCMP officers before reaching the scene.

"EMS and RCMP were asked to respond to this location this morning," explained Carstairs Fire Chief Nick Thane from his position at the road block. "At this time there's no need for EMS or fire attendance So, we've been asked by the RCMP to back out to a perimeter."

The ambulance had backed out and was sent back to base while Thane was to remain and guard the roadblock until relief could be found.

At approximately 10 a.m. Sgt. Kevin O'Dwyer con-firmed the person found at the site was deceased but could not confirm any other

Unmarked police cars began to arrive at the scene shortly afterward, as did city press. At approximately p.m. Sgt. Patrick Webb, RCMP media spokesperson, arrived and the few known facts were disclosed as well as a request for information from anyone who had been in the area over the previous 24 to 36 hours.

We're estimating the body's been there in the last day, day and a half.

He confirmed that mem-bers of the Southern Alberta District Major Crimes Unit and the Special Tactical police service dog were assisting the Didsbury RCMP detachment with the investigation and search of

the scene. "Different individuals come from different places depending upon their spe-

Officers canvassing the neighbouring farms, Webb

"Certainly one of the steps that is done in an investig tion like this is to do neighbourhood inquires where we go to every person that either resides in this area or has a reason to be passing through this area. And we'll be asking each of those people to give us any information they might have. Logically for the most part it won't be that much somebody may have a piece of that puzzle. They may have noticed a vehicle or somebody or some activity that might help us."
The individual had died by

violence he said but a cause of death would be determined by an autopsy and at that time it was still too early determine if the person had died at the site it had been discovered or whether he had been killed elsewhere and dumped there.

"But certainly that's one of the things we're looking

Investigators remained on

they worked to search for and gather evidence.

"(Saturday) I saw they had put up a black tent,"said

"Maybe that's where they Maybe that's where they found the body. It looked like it was right next to the gravel, you know, on the shoulder. Sort of part way in the ditch."

Ostermann, who uses the range road on average about once a week, said that he had driven over on March 17 and talked with one of the police officers.

"They were still investigating and they were going to bring some people out to walk the ditch and maybe in the field as well."

Ostermann was asked for his permission for officers to walk through his fields. He consented. "You know they might find something there.

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pinion

OMG, what's with acronyms?

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Less than a decade ago, if you tried to do that, people would look at you like you were an alien with tentacles growing out of your head.

There was OK, P.S., ASAP, and if you were really feeling

adventurous, maybe a TGIF proclamation at the end of a long week.

But today, the abundance of acronyms being thrown out

like real words is overwhelming.
Of course, acronyms have always existed in the busine world and documents are full of them, but there's often a leg-

end of some sort to refer to. The acronym trend really started to flourish as a way for teens to respond quickly to friends during instant messaging

That's when it became possible to say "Ha, that's funny!" in over a dozen different ways. There's LOL (laugh out loud), BAG (busting a gut), BL (belly laugh), FOFL (falling on floor laughing), FOCL (falling off chair laughing) -just to name a

To say goodbye, you could choose B4N, BFN, CU, L8R or TTYL If you're chatting with your BF, or GF, you might want to sign off with a HAK (hug and kiss) or an AML (all my

See? Overwhelming.

But the worst part is that this has become an acceptable way to converse verbally now too.

When someone says JK, instead of "just kidding", I no longer look at them like they have tentacles growing out of their head and that scares me more than the tentacles.

BTW, I am aware that I too am guilty of shortening a per-

fectly good language, to an extent.

I have never said "oll korrect" or "all correct", when a simple "OK" will do. In fact, it is believed OK was just one of many acronyms that got their start in the mid 1800s, when Bostonians thought it would be fun to speak in abbreviations

Back then, people used expressions like "NG" (no go) or "SP" (small potatoes) until the fad became too annoying and wore off. Only OK, for some reason, managed to stick

Unfortunately, it seems the rebirth of the fad has no end in sight. It's even been taken a step further, to where "OK" needed to be shortened.

d to be shortened.

It's just "K" now, for those of us not yet in the loop.

Jodi Styner

Your letters Home ice advantage

When in conversation, I was told that the ice at the Didsbury Arena was to be taken out before the season was finished, I was sure that it was a joke, but....it was definitely no joke. The ice was being taken out to accommodate a trade fair. I was incredulous. Three of the minor hockey teams (midget, peewee, and atom) are vying for divisional or league championships; and the Mountainview Colts are currently in the second round of the Heritage Junior hockey league playoffs, and now these teams may have to secure ice in another town. Unbelievable!

I can appreciate the value of having a venue to showcase local businesses and economic development, but, in my opinion the ball was dropped in this case. I'm sure that the principles involved could brain storm a solution that could accom-modate both the trade fair and the hockey community. Businesses in Didsbury and area benefit from the economic spin-off hockey provides, and in turn many local businesses have in the past and still do support minor hockey. Every minor hockey team is proud to wear the jersey of the Didsbury Ramblers; The Mountainview Colts provide a level of hockey that any community would be proud to be associated with. Hockey teams in Didsbury are not asking for the moon, just the consideration to be allowed to finish the so son and play-offs on their own ice

Hopefully this might be a consideration in the future

Rick Hanson Didsbury





BY NOREEN OLSON Didsbury Review

Our grandson Maxwell had his third birthday in February and his mom and dad arranged for a farm party with tractor powered wagon and toboggan rides, a fire and wiener roast. The day was so lovely that they had his cake outdoors and the candles remained lit until he blew them out.

Snowsuited toddlers chased colored balloons through fresh white snow the sun shone brightly that even a winter hating grandma was comfortable. The whole party was so nice that now Jonas, who will be five in April, thinks he would like a wagon ride party as well. Jonas is in pre-kindergarten so a lot more children and parents would be involved and April could be pretty muddy but his parents will deal with it and we will just be there to sing Happy Birthday. My days of arranging kid birthday can't say that I'm sorry

At the kitchen table

In Egypt, and later in Babylonia, dates of birth were recorded and celebrated only for Royal male children. Birthdays were unheard of for lower classes and for any woman other than, perhaps, the queen. The first recorded birthday celebrations, around 3000 B.C. for the early hs. The parties were Pharaohs. The parties were great feasts in which servants, slaves and freedmen took part and often prisoners were released from the royal jail. Cleopatra is said to have thrown an immense birthday party for

Mark Antony. They were married in 37 BC so the party would have been about that time. All the invited guests were lavished with royal gifts so I that's the first guess

recorded loot bag. The Greeks adopted the Egyptian idea of birthday celebrations and the Persians, who were Persians, who were famous confectioners, added the custom of a sweet birthday cake. Women and children's birthdays were not important enough for a party but the man of the house was given a lavish banquet and if he was notable enough these celebrations continued for years after his

death.

The Roman Senate started the custom of making birthdays of important statesmen national holidays and after his as nation Caesar's birthday was observed annually with parades, circuses banquets, combats and dramatic play. But with the rise of Christianity celebrating birthdays ceased Christians altogether. believed that death was the passage to eternal paradise so a persons de day was what should be celebrated. Death days, not birthdays of saints were celebrated and became feast days.

In the fourth century the church began to alter it's attitude toward birthdays and seriously try to settle on the date of Christ's birth.

This of course, marked the beginning of celebrating Christmas and with Christmas, the Western World returned to the cel-

ebration of birthdays.

By the twelfth century churches in Europe were recording the birth dates women and children and families were having annual celebrations for everybody. At about this time birthday cakes came back and they were back and they topped with candles.

the thirteenth Century German peasants began holding kinderfests, which were birthday parties for young children. A kinderfeste was a lot more fuss than a wagon ride. At dawn the child was presented with a cake topped in candles. The candles were changed and kept lit all day, until after the family meal when it was eaten. The birthday child received gifts, selected the menu for the meal and The Birthday Elf brought additional presents. Making a wish and blowing out the candles also began with the Kinderfeste.

The melody for "Happy Birthday was first published in 1893 and was meantto be a morning classroom welcome to children. "Good Morning to All" but in 1924, without authorization, it was published with a second stanza, "Happy Birthday to you." By 1933 it was titled "Happy Birthday to You" and it soon became a worldwide hit regarded as the most frequently sung music in the world.

The next time you have sticky fingered little kids coming to your house to play games and eat ice cream, try to think of yourself as part of a long fascinating part of social history. Maybe it will make the clean go a bit more quickly.

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Ponderings of the heart

How busy are we?

BY MARGARET FRADLEY

Sometimes our "busyness" overtakes us, our calendars seem to fill up; before our week begins, our days are full. How does this make us feel? Do we enjoy being busy every minute of our day?

I read recently that in teh deep jungles of Africa, a traveller was making a long trek. Coolies had been hired to carry the loads. The first day they moved quickly and went a great distance; the traveller had high hopes of a speedy journey. However, the second morning, the coolies refused to move. For some strange reason they just sat and rested. On being asked why this was so, the traveller was informed that they had gone too fast the first day and they were now wait-

ing for their souls to catch up with their bodies.

I found this to be a wonderful analogy, and as I pondered this I realized that I too often needed to allow my soul to catch up with my body. How essential this is for my wll being. How about you. Let's try taking the occasional break from all our busyness just "to be".

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Census count low: officials

Big growth expected in 2007

BY JODI STYNER

Didsbury Review

Population numbers released by Statistics Canada last week came in well below what town officials expected.

The 2006 census revealed Didsbury grew by 8.7 per cent between 2001 and 2006, from 3, 932 to 4,275. "We're kind of surprised by that," said Mayor Dorothy

Moore.

"From what we had, at 2.5 people per new house, we fig-ured we were over 4,600."

The value of development doubled in Didsbury last year,

with over \$14 million in building permits issued., compared to just over \$7 million in 2005.

Residential builds account for 53 per cent of the total 152 permits issued, indicating Didsbury is growing at the st rate ever recorded. But the government's numbers don't reflect that. In the

previous intercensal period, between 1997 and 2001, Didsbury experienced a 10 per cent growth. Moore said the method by which census information

was gathered this time around could account for the dif-

"They did go door-to-door last time and had a lot more engagement, I think with people," she said.
"This one was kind of like, 'OK, send it in."

But looking at the numbers some other municipalities turned in, Moore said the phone-in/mail-in system might not have had any impact on the study's findings.
"When you look at Okotoks at 48 per cent, wow, what

did they do different there?" she said.
"So I'm not sure where that (Didsbury population number) came from, but that's the official number and I gues that's what it is.

Much of the town's recorded growth happened in the second half of the year, after the census was completed, so that may play a part too, said Moore.

"For the first part of (2006) we really didn't have anywhere for people to build," she said.

"But by the end of 2006, or even by mid-2006 they were building.

When the census was released March 14, George MacDonald got busy downloading the numbers from the Statistics Canada Web site and rating Alberta's 300 municipalities by size.

According to his math, Didsbury sits 49th overall. If you take out the cities – two major and 12 smaller – and only look at the towns, we're at 35.

"We were in a pretty good position as a town," he said. Moore agreed.

'As much as we might think we're small, as far as com-

munities in Alberta, we're toward the upper end," she said.

Despite the lower than expected numbers Moore said Didsbury is growing fast and that will only pick up from

"We will have certainly higher growth as we open up these new subdivisions," she said. A new subdivision is expected to go in on the Calvin

Dick land later this year, and others are in the works as well.

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DIDSBURY LIFELINE SOCIETY:

Monday, June 11, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.— Council Chambers

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

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The Anthony Henday Water Treatment Plant is operating at full capacity and is providing quality water. To ensure that the chlorine residuals are at the proper levels, there may be higher than normal chlorine smell or taste.

Chlorine residual is required by the Province of Alberta to ensure safe drinking water.

Sports

Hero's welcome planned for champion Thomas



Didsbury residents are planning a hero's welcome this weekend as World Junior curling title winner

Charley Thomas comes home. Thomas, the Canadian junior men's skip, has won his second straight World Juniors title, the first to do so since Canada's John Morris in 1998/1999 and only the second ever, according to world junior officials
"It's unbelievable...I'm just so happy,"

Didsbury's own Thomas.

The win over Team Sweden on March 11 is the junior's farewell for Thomas and his teammates - third Brock Virtue, second Matthew Ng, lead Kyle Reynolds. All members are in their last eligible junior year.

"I'm so proud of how they handled the pressure,"

able...I'm just so happy...I'm so proud of how they handled the pressure."

"It's unbeliev-

CHARLEY THOMAS World Junior curting champion

The junior men's final was a close affair until Canada broke out in the sixth end.

After Canada scored three in the sixth and then stole two singles in ends seven and eight, the Swedish juniors shook hands to concede the match.

Canada had dominated the round-robin going 8-1 with their only loss coming from Denmark. Sweden finished the round-robin at 6-3.

In the bronze medal game, Switzerland scored two in the tenth end to force the extra where they stole a point to win 7-6.

Congratulate Charlie on his second world win at the Didsbury Curling Club lounge Sat. March 24 at 7:30

Hockey commitment pulls on purse-strings

2007-08 hockey registration already begun

BY JODI STYNER Didsbury Revie

This year's hockey season may be coming to an end, but with registration now underway for next year parents are

already starting to budget.

Tracy and Jim Smith, who have two boys in the sport, stimate the family spends \$900 annually on hockey fees

Add to that tournament fees, travelling expenses and equipment costs, and they're putting well over \$1,000 into Canada's favourite pastime.

Luckily, despite Didsbury Minor Hockey registration happening so early in the year, parents are able to post-

"We don't actually have to pay it all right now," said

"But regardless of when you have to pay it is expen-

Still, Smith said it's a commitment the whole family made together and it's proved to be money well spent.

"It's exercise for the kids, it's something they enjoy and it's something we all do together," she said.

It also keeps the kids so busy that there isn't a lot of idle

"There's nothing better than watching your kids have fun and succeed at something they love."

TRACY SMITH

time when they might get into trouble, an added bonus,

That's not to say there aren't days when travelling miles and miles to sit in another cold arena doesn't get to her.

"There's days that I complain because Curtis may be going to Medicine Hat and Travis is going to Okotoks and the travelling, it's a whole day thing," said Smith.

"But there's nothing better than watching your kids

have fun and succeed at something they love

And the hockey community is really an extended family, she said.

"It's one big happy family, I mean we hang out with these people all winter long."

So when it comes down to it, even considering the costs involved, enrolling her kids in hockey is "definitely worth

And if they weren't paying for hockey, they'd be paying for something else, she said.

"I know my brother has his daughter in dance and gymnastics and that's expensive, oh my gosh!

Smith is pleased with the government's announcement of the new Children's Fitness Tax Credit, which will proparents with up to \$500 for their child's enrollment

in a physical activity program.

The program will be retroactive to Jan.1 of this year, so

Smith is keeping all of her receipts.

She hopes other parents will access the program too,

"I know in minor hockey there are families who have a hard time with the costs, but it's important to them to keep their kids active and busy," she said.

"This might encourage families to get their kids more involved because before there wasn't a lot of help."

KidSport is another option for parents. Since its inception in 1995, the organization has raised more than \$2 million and helped more than 20,000 kids pay athletic fees



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Series deadlocked with Thunder

Area hockey fans witnessing the Heritage Junior Hockey League playoff series between the Mountainview Colts and the Airdrie Thunder have seen exciting action.

With a 5-4 victory at the Didsbury Recreation Complex on Sunday, March 18, the Airdrie Thunder have forced a seventh and deciding game scheduled in Airdrie on Tuesday, March 20, 2007.

And there appears to be no home ice advantage in the series as both teams have compiled wins in the opposi-tion's rink as the Colts squeaked out a 3-2 hard fought victory over the Thunder on Friday March, 16 at the Airdrie and District Recreation Complex.

In Airdrie, the fans sat at the edge of their seats through out the entire contest as the teams were in a heated battle right from the opening faceoff.

Although both teams had numerous scoring opportuni ties, the sharpshooters were shaking their heads in disbe lief as the limelight belonged to the two masked men between the pipes.

Colts' netminder, Evan Miller was sensational in the final three minutes of the game as the Thunder were pressing for the equalizer. With netminder Aaron Dell sit-ting on the bench in favour of an extra attacker, Miller was called upon to make a couple of heart-stopping saves as the Thunder swarmed the Colts' net. Miller finished the game with 33 saves. Meanwhile, Dell turned aside 30

A power play goal off the stick of Eric Becker with just over three minutes left to play in the game was the eventual winning goal for the Colts.

After twenty minutes of play, the teams were tied at a goal apiece as Charles Eskow blinked the red light for the Thunder while Jeff Clazie replied for the Colts. In the second stanza, Patrick Stables put the Thunder

ahead by a goal as he dented the twine with an early power play marker. For the Colts, Shane Thompson netted his first playoff goal sending the teams into their respective dressing rooms deadlocked at 2-2 apiece.

In Didsbury, an opportunity for the Colts to wrap up the series at home slipped away in the third period as they gave up a pair of power play goals netted by Chris Anaka.

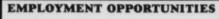
When the buzzer sounded ending the first period, the Thunder were ahead by a goal as Les Glen blinked the red

With Glen netting his second goal of the game coupled with a marker off the stick of Brent Dawe, the Thunder increased their lead to 3-1 after forty minutes of play. Two power play goals netted by Will Harvie and Eric

Becker early in the third period put the Colts right back into the game.

An even-strength goal by Ryan Miller midway through the final period rounded out the Colts' scoring.

Chris Anaka eventually scored the winning goal for the Thunder very late in the game with two unanswered





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Community generosity overwhelms Heroes", put their fee back

BY JODI STYNER

Before

Hunters Hideaway was wall to wall last week with people eager to see Darcy Conley shed his unruly locks to raise money for cancer research.

The crowd was so big that people were lined up out the door to get in.

"That's the first time I've ever seen a lineup in Didsbury," said Conley, surprised by the incredible turnout.

Even more surprising, he said, was the generosity of those people who bid on the chance to shave his head.

"I was just awe-struck and stunned," said Conley.

"I just couldn't believe it." Conley had originally set out to raise \$3,000, but when he easily surpassed that goal days before the auction, he decided to raise the bar to

On the night of the event. seven other people joined Conley on stage putting up either the hair on their heads, their faces, or both, as

he reached certain pledge

At the end of the evening he estimated they'd raised about \$8,000, but when the tally was done, they'd brought in a whopping

When we added it up on Monday it was like 'holy crap," said Conley.

As if that weren't enough, Conley spent the day Monday fielding calls from people who were unable to attend the event, but still wanted to donate.

After

By the end of the day

ed a portion of their drink sales to the cause as well, and the entertainment local band called "Broken

those phone calls were worth another \$785, bringing the grand total to \$9,930. Hunters Hideaway donat-

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Didsbury RCMP officer gets hero award

"There are a lot of

members who save lives. I can think

of one in particular whose retirement

party I attended recently -

25 years and no awards,

no recognition."

BY JODI STYNER

A Didsbury RCMP officer is officially a hero this

Newton Rob Lifesaving received Society Award March 8 and will get a second nod from John Ambulance upcoming days for his efforts in saving the life of a drowning man in October 2005.

Newton was actually on holidays when he was called to action, but his police instincts certainly came into play.

He was relaxing in his Edmonton hotel when he heard a "ruckus" down by the pool, which had already closed for the

He looked out the win dow and saw a security guard and a group of people forming, and that when he took off running.

down in the pool and peo-

ple were screaming at

been down there and some

one responded "four min-

jumped in and pulled him out," he said.

n't breathing.

"He was blue and he was

Newton started COR,

clearing the man's airway

and offered a breath.

He asked how long he'd

I took off my shirt and

Newton "can you swim?

The man began throwing

up water. "His lungs with water, said Newton.

The man began breathing on his own, though at mere one breath every 10

CST. ROB NEWTON

seconds, he was still in a

transported the man to hospital where he spent

three days in intensive care, and luckily came out

with no permanent brain

The man later retrieved

Newton's phone number

from the hotel and called to

"I didn't want to make a

Paramedics arrived and

scary situation.

damage.

thank him.

big deal about it," said the humble officer.

But all that went out the window when he told his story to boss Sgt. Kevin O'Dwyer.

were just BSing "We around the coffee table.

Next thing he knew, he was being called a hero.

Newton said the reason he shuns the title is that he thinks there are bigger heroes working right next to him every year.

"There are a lot of members who save lives," he

"I can think of one in particular whose retirement party I attended recently -25 years and no awards, no

recognition."
Still, he will proudly don his red serge in a ceremony that will take place in the next week or two, during which Sgt. O'Dwyer will present him with his second award.

In the meantime, Newton is just happy to be return-ing to the job last week after undergoing months of rehabilitation for a knee injury he sustained.

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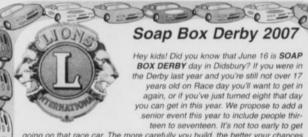
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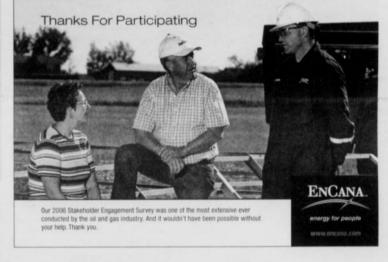
going on that race car. The more carefully you build, the better your chance will be at the finish line. And get this, if you want to have a building kit with wheels, steering and plans to build call 335-4482 and George will have a kit for you. Kits cost the Lions \$65.00 each and you get one for that price. All necessary instructions are included in each kit, and don't forget to pick up an entry form when you get your kit. Entry fees are thirty five dollars (\$35). You e, the Lions are trying to make the Derby affordable to any kid between eight and seventeen - with the help of parents or sponsors of course.

a parent or guardian, a set of brakes on your car that work, and if your con-struction is good, you will pass inspection and then you get up to five runs down the racetrack. Not only that, you get a Derby T-shirt,---a hamburger or hot dog, --- and a juice or pop from our Soap Box Derby sponsors, all include in your entry fee. Besides that, there are prizes for the winners of the various events. If you need more information or a consent and registration form call (403) 801-4697 or 335-4796 for either a live person or answering machine.

A note to parents and/or guardians. The ramp n exciting event. The fastest car was clocked at over 30 KPH on the track. BUT, the track is protected by straw bales at the edges, and with brakes, helmets, lane markings and good supervision no mishaps are expected or likely.

Cars are returned from the finish line to the starting lineup on trailers in time
for the next runs to begin. The local police were present last year but no
speeding tickets were issued, and since the sportsmanlike conduct of the drivers has been noteworthy, a really great time is expected again this year All inspector's and judge's decisions, right or wrong are final.

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Local apprentice best in province

BY JODI STYNER Didsbury Review

Didsbury's own Murray Scott is officially the best new

ag mechanic in the province.

The Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board has just named Scott the top apprentice in the his trade. The honour comes as a bit of a surprise to the humble Scott, but certainly not to his employers at Greenline

"He's a top notch employee," said Devin Weseen, who nominated Scott for the award.

"As far as Γm concerned, he's the best one in the field." Scott actually started out fixing cars, before making the switch to fixing John Deeres.
"I guess you could say I didn't like my boss before," he

said of the reason for the parlay into ag equipment

"I worked at one shop and then they closed down, and I moved to another dealership and I didn't like how the service manager ran the place, so I decided to make a

Scott saw the opening at Greenline and knew it was the place for him.

"We operate John Deere equipment at home on the farm

and we've always dealt here before," he said.

"They had an ad in the paper and just thought this would be the place to go out of any of them."

So he signed up for the four-year program at Olds

College and went to work.

Now he spends his days travelling the area as a mobile

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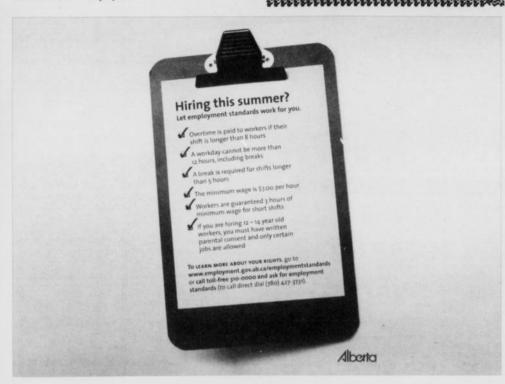
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Christian Motorcycle Association convention draws 160 to town

BY PAUL FREY

About 160 people turned out from across Canada for the Christian Motorcycle Association's annual convention in Olds on Sunday including Didsbury organizers.

While a majority of the attendees were from various parts of Alberta, there were also participants from Saskatchewan and as far east as New Brunswick. The

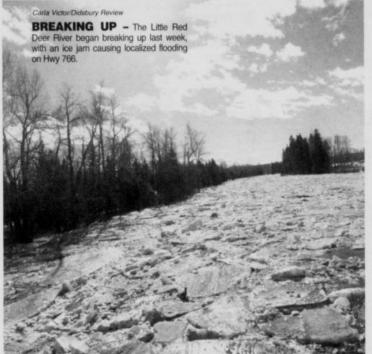
event took place at the First Baptist Church in Olds.

"Basically it was our annual conference to encourage each other and prepare for the ride season," said Stacey Hickok, one of the convention's organizers. "It was prob-

ably one of the biggest we've had in the last few years."

One of the featured speakers at the event was Paul Miller, national evangelist for the CMA. Hickok said his sage was one of compassion and looking out for oth-

The event was sponsored by the CMA's Apostle chapter in Airdrie. Anyone wanting more information on the organization or upcoming events this summer may contact either the CMA's national office in Red Deer at (403) w.cmacanada.ca



Break-up forces water treatment change

BY STEPHANIE MYLES

For the Review

Area residents may have noticed their drinking water smells more like a swimming pool recently

Spring ice break up in the Red Deer River and its tributaries is sending ice and dirt flowing down the river to the Anthony Henday Water Treatment Plant just west of Innisfail.

there are

"Even though we have our stateof-the-art filtration system. increased levels of organics in the water so they increase the chlorine level." CODY BERGGREN Mountain View Regional Water Services

Extra chlorine is being added to the water to ensure it's safe to drink, Cody Berggren, spokesperson for Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission.

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"The river just turns dark. Instead of being clear, it's brown," he said. "Even though we have our state-of-the-art filtration system. there increased levels of organics in the water so they increase the chlorine

Employees at the water treatment plant are cleaning the strainer that filters larger materials at the plant's water intake every

The plant treats water for Crossfield, Carstairs, Didsbury, Olds, Bowden and Innisfail as members of the water commission.



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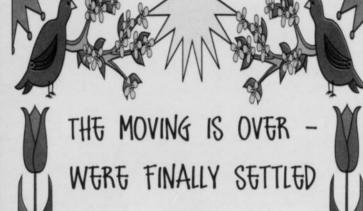
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One of the simplest things to do is remove the clutter from your home. This includes getting rid of throw rugs or mats or anything else that could trip you up. It's also important to make sure your hallways and stairways are well lit and that all stairways, even short ones, have railings.

Reorganizing your cupboards so that you don't have to use stools or ladders to reach things is a great idea as well. So is installing slip-proof mats in your tub and always wearing footwear with low heels and rubberized soles, even around the house.

It's also important to do things to prevent from being dizzy. It's a good idea to review your medications and their side effects with your doctor on a regular basis. And you should limit your alcohol consumption to two drinks per day.

Finally, simply staying active is one of the most effective things you can do to maintain your strength, balance and flexibility.

For more information on how to prevent falls, visit calgaryhealthregion.ca.

Chamber Chat

Trade show has roots

Two years ago, when Didsbury and Alberta were both celebrating 100 years, the Chamber of Commerce was celebrating 20 years of hosting the Didsbury Trade Show. Chamber members spent time reminiscing about past trade shows and some of the stories were great fun to rec-

The first year, volunteers brought in a bobcat rodeo! Back then it was called the "June Jamboree", but moved to April for the convenience of farmers and agriculture businesses. Now the Trade Show is held the first weekend of April, and is part of a circuit of Alberta shows for many exhibitors.

Entertainment has always been an important feature with Didsbury residents. One year the committee brought in Ian Tyson; another time the Calgary Stampeders made an appearance. There was BINGO for the kids, and of course, face painting, clowns and mascots have enter-tained exhibitors and visitors alike.

Part of this year's entertainment for the kids includes Giggle Gang, a professional face painter. Giggle Gang is joined by her son who walks around and does balloon art. It's going to be great fun!

Besides Giggle Gang, entertainment is ongoing throughout all four venues at the Memorial Complex. The local

radio station, CK-FM, brings in local talent, as well as the Alberta Country Opry. The Fiddlers Jamboree, which has been going on for many years, still plays to a packed house. The Art Show & Sale is now a two-day event. What everyone is talking about this year, the Fashion Shows, are bound to be as big a hit as the high school jazz band was in the '90s.

One thing that has remained constant, and that is a group of very dedicated volunteers. They're the ones who make the trade show such a success. Greg Poirier, Co-Chair of the Trade Show for the past four years, says

"When you have a great committee, it's a lot of fun."
Gerard Fournier, sponsorship chairman, agreed.
"Without all the hard work of those who have served on the Trade Show committee in years past, the legacy they left us would not exist as we know it today. We have built on their success and refined it. In years past, sure the trade show sold out, but this is the first year we have sold out the entire complex, including both ice surfaces, the MPR room and the curling rink."

In Didsbury's centennial year, a past chair of the Trade Show summed it up perfectly: "The whole community has embraced it. Everyone looks forward to it. A legacy has been established - a legacy for us to be proud of



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TUESDAY, APRIL 3

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FRANKLIN- WAYNE ALAN FRANKLIN

Beloved husband, father and grandfather was peacefully called back to God on March 9th, 2007 at the age of 55, after a brief illness. Wayne

was born March 1st in 1952 at Didsbury, AB. He was predeceased by his mother Kay (Kathleen), father Willard and son Gordon. He will be lov-

father Willard and son Gordon. He will be lov-ingly remembered by his wife Linda and daugh-ters Jenara and Heather, daughter-in-law Jennifer Franklin and grandchildren Gwendoline and Jayden Franklin. Wayne grew up on the family farm near Cremona. In his youth, he was an exu-berant kid who ran around the farm building bomb shelters to store his favorite food.

bomb shelters to store his favorite food - dry bread. Momentarily leaving the family farm, he

attended SAIT where he received a commercial cooking certificate. He later attended art school at ACAD in Calgary where he built upon his love of creating lovely glass, metal and wood scuplture, attaining honors for his Bachelor's degree in Art.

Wayne spent some time in BC as a forrest ranger and shortly thereafter went on to acquire a small

plane pilot's licence and flew people into remote locations up north and he loved to parachute, in spite of a broken ankle incident. After a nomadic

period of worldwide travel, he settled for a brief time in Seven Persons where he worked as an irri-

gation farmer and occasional team roper. When he moved back to the family farm he utilized his

newfound skills by training horses, specializing in Arabians. In 1995 he created his own company

- Eastridge Contracting, where his skills as a fin-ishing carpenter kept him in high demand and

allowed him to beautify many a home, airport, street corner, opera set and business. During this time he also returned the family farm to a glori-

time he also returned the family farm to a glori-ous state. All who knew Wayne Franklin will miss him greatly and the love and mirth he brought to us all with his smile and boisterous laughter. The funeral will be held on Thursday, March 15th, 2007 at 2 PM at the Cremona Congregational Church. Flowers brought to the church or donations to your favorite charity

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LAIT - DOROTHY JEAN

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wife, mother and grandma. In addition to raising her children, Dorothy operated the Rack and Bottle Wine and Craft store at the Market Mall

Bottle Wine and Craft store at the Market Mall and later at Northland Mall in Calgary. She took particular joy in passing her passions for ceramics, wine making and painting on through the classes she taught at The Rack and Bottle. In 1992, Dot and Harold moved to Didsbury where they both enjoyed their retirement years. At Dot's request the family held a private requestion of fit.

Dorothy (Dot) Lait, beloved wife of 61 years to Harold Lait, passed away quietly at the Peter Lougheed General Hospital on Friday March 9, 2007 at the age of 80 years. Dot was born in Medicine Hat, Alberta, on October 28, 1926

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TOHM, VIOLET LUELLA 1915 - 2007

Violet Luella Tohm of Didsbury passed away at the Southwood Seniors Care Centre in Calgary, Alberta on March 18, 2007 at the age of 91 years. A Celebration of Violet's life will be held on Friday, March 23, 2007 at the

Mountain View Funeral Chapel, 1413 – 21 Avenue, Didsbury, Alberta at 1:00 pm. A pri vate family interment service will take place in the Westcott Cemetery prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to the Heart & Stroke Foundation Of Alberta, 101, 5208 – 53 Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta T4N 5K2 or to the Alberta Diabetes Foundation, 12834 – 163 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta T5V 9Z9 or to the charity of the donor's choice, Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Changle of Didsbury. Mountain View Funeral Chapels of Didsbury, Phone: (403) 335-4773. Proudly serving the community for over 45 years.

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> We love and miss you very Ross, kids, and grandkids.

In loving memory of Karen Campbell

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Thank You 180.

I'd like to send out a great big thanks to one who pledged monies to the first annual "Head For A Cure" Cancer Fundraiser. Your spirit and support was overwhelming. I'd like to send out an extra special thank you to Kathrine Kramer and Gord Skulmokski for the especially generous donation to the cau Your kindness and friendship overwhelms me Thanks also to the band, Broken Heroes, who kept the dance floor busy all night. Also Davey Mailer for Auctioneering and Dan Butler from 97.7 FM and The Didsbury Review. Plus to the gang from Feldersnatsche Holdings, Rob, Trevor, Ryan, Glen, Fred, Terrance and Dale for your participation.

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they both enjoyed their retirement years. At Dot's request, the family held a private memorial, officiated by Pastor W. Swalm in Didsbury on Tuesday March 13, 2007. As a tribute to Dorothy Lait, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610







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NEW LISTING

\$369,000

1600 sq. ft. fully finished bedroom family home on Westhill has it all.



NEW IN CARSTAIRS

\$369,000

Just built 1380 sq. ft. 2 bedroom home has 9' ceilings, soaker tub and many extras.



CALGARY \$379,900

4 bedroom family home, hardwood throughout. Double detached garage. Shows 100%



OVER 1800 SO.FT. \$384,000

Carstairs - Great new 1807 sq. ft. 3 bdrm family home with 9' ceilings, this open plan has lots of living space. A must see.



LAKE PROPERTY

\$539,000

Executive Lake Property - Olds. Walkout basement. Prime location. Shows 100%. 19 Lake Ridge Rd.



ACREAGE FOR SALE

\$329,000

Large home on 2 acres, oversized garage/shop. Well treed Mountain View.



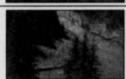
ACREAGE GREAT LOCATION

\$469,000
3.1 acres fenced and set up for horses.
With 5 bdrm family home.



LIGHT INDUSTRIAL LOTS

6 acres serviced in Didsbury starting at \$149,000/acre



CROWN LEASE \$189,000

160 Acre, government lease near Water Valley. River runs through it.



MOUNTAIN VIEW

\$799,000

Full quarter. 3 miles from Cremona. Call now.



GORGEOUS VIEWS

899,000

Primrose Valley Ranch. 1 quarter West of Water Valley



RANCH+LAND \$1,299,000

Primrose Valley Ranch. 80 acres with gorgeous home. West of Water Valley

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